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East Germany

1. Fritz Selbmann has again assumed control of power production in East Germany. He stated at a recent (mid-November 1953) gathering of electrical engineers that a determined and realistic drive must be made to overcome the present acute power deficit.
2. Selbmann ordered that the Trattendorf III power station be completed and in operation by December 1955. This power station now takes precedence over all other work in VEB Energieprojektierung, where the final drawings are being prepared.
3. The choice of Trattendorf III to be the main target was determined by its size and type. It is to be a 150 MW medium pressure power station, and thus relatively independent of imported superior grade materials, the procurement of which is holding up progress in other high pressure type power stations.

Communist China

4. Two officials of the Ministry of Machine Construction, Berlin-Keopenick are leaving East Germany for Communist China on or about 5 December 1953. The purpose of their visit is to obtain supplementary details necessary for the planning of the "DOC" power station.
5. The "DOC" power station, as ordered by the Chinese, was to produce 2 MW. This figure was thought by VEB Energieprojektierung to be uneconomical and has now been revised to 10 MW. Correspondence between VEB Energieprojektierung and the East German Ministry of Machine Construction indicates that the "LOC" station is needed for a new film and photo factory being built near Peking.

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